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limitations. In the first place the principle applies mainly to the first aspect of primary education, to the group of children at the junior basic stage, because at this stage of compulsory education . . . ."

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"I am afraid, Sir, there is a confusion in the mind of the hon. Member. He is referring to the resolution of the Government of India. The hon. Member's question refers to the report of the Committee on the medium of instruction appointed by the Government of India. The press report he is reading from is the resolution on the medium of instruction issued by the Government of India. He is slightly confusing the two."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"In answer to clause (c) of the question where I asked the Government to state what action they propose to take on those recommendations, may I know whether the Government are not bound to carry out the resolution of the Government of India or the recommendations of the Committee?" 11-15 a.m.

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"We are not bound to carry out any recommendations of the Committee; of course, this Government will consider whatever is in the best interests of this Province. I want to point out to him the confusion that is in his mind. What he was reading was not the report of the Committee on the medium of instruction appointed by the Government of India, but the resolution of the Government of India. It is only a copy of the recommendation of the Committee which he wanted to be placed on the table of the House and that has been done."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—"But in (c) I ask what action the Government propose to take on those recommendations?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"They are being considered."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—"Are those resolutions of the Government of India published in the *Gazette of India* on the 14th August bindng on this Government?"

MR. PRESIDENT :—"I think the Hon. Minister has already answered it."

Advisory Committees for admission of students in colleges.

* 124 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have issued any instructions to the Principals of Aided Colleges to constitute Advisory Committees with regard to admission of students into their colleges and to

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abide by such instructions as may be issued from time to time by the Government with regard to such admissions, or any other circular or communication of a similar nature;

(b) if so, to place the instructions or circulars that the Government sent on the table of the House; and

(c) whether the Government have received any replies thereto from the Principals of the Aided Colleges, and if so, to lay the same on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"(a) & (b) A copy [a] of the G.O. No. 404, Education, dated 2nd March 1948, is laid on the table of the House. It may be observed that the Advisory Committees are only expected to advise the management, *inter alia*, on framing rules for the admission of students.

"(c) No reply is expected by the Government from the Principals of Aided Colleges. But a report has been called for from the Director of Public Instruction on the action taken by the various institutions in the matter and also on the working of the committees wherever they have been formed. This report can be expected only in December 1948."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—" Are these rules mandatory where the aided institutions are advised to follow these rules, especially rule No. 1 mentioned in the Government Order?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
" The order itself says they are advisory and there is no question of anything being mandatory. The hon. Member may read the order properly."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—" I want to know what the object is when you say 'framing of rules for admission of students consistent with the rules laid down by Government in this regard.' Does the Government want that aided institutions also should follow the policy of the Government with regard to admission of students in Government colleges?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
" No, Sir; In regard to certain matters, the Government have sent instructions, e.g., reservation of ten per cent for Harijan students—that has been sent to the aided institutions and the Government expect that aided institutions will fall into line in this respect. With regard to other things, it is entirely left to them to do whatever they like."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—" I put the question with reference to some of the colleges in Madras City in which admissions are made on the ground of merit and nothing else; does the Government propose to interfere with that principle?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
" Not at all; I know a college in which 200 admissions were

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made and about 150 or 160 of them belong to a certain community. The Government did not interfere and do not want to interfere with such institutions; but only with regard to the Harijan students, they have said there may be ten per cent reservation, if they are forthcoming."

Students from the Bellary district admitted into the Engineering Colleges.

* 125 *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to give with reference to the district of Bellary—

(*a*) the number of applications that were received from the said district for admission into the Engineering Colleges of the Province;

(*b*) the names of the students that have been admitted into the colleges together with the marks obtained by them in the Mathematics Group of the Intermediate Examination or the B.Sc. Examination; and

(*c*) the names of those that are refused admission and the marks obtained by them in the Mathematics Group of the Intermediate Examination or the B.Sc. Examination?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"(*a*) The number of applications received from candidates of the Bellary district for admission into the Engineering Colleges is 51.

"(*b*) The list of those who have been selected has been published on pages 445–448 of Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 6th July 1948. Information regarding marks is not readily available.

"(*c*) It will not be in public interest to place these names on the table of the House and the trouble taken for the purpose will not be commensurate with the results."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—"Why do the Government think it will not be in the public interest to publish the information with regard to clause (*c*)?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"Certain boys may not like their names and their marks published at all; their marks may be high or may be low; and simply because they have applied for admission, they won't like to be discredited before the House by their marks being published."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—"Is it not a fact that a student from the Bellary district who had cent per cent marks in mathematics has been refused admission in the Engineering College whereas a boy who had secured only 40 per cent in mathematics has been admitted into the College?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—
"I am afraid the hon. Member is speaking only with regard